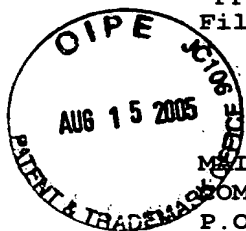


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This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1.        Consider the unentered amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on                                 .
2.        Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on                                 .
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  - X   Amendment (including transmittal)/Reply.
  - Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
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  - X   Other (identify):  
Petition For Extension Of Time, including a check in  
the amount of \$120.00 for the one-month extension fee.
4.        Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 is claimed.
  - A verified statement to establish small entity status is enclosed.
  - A verified statement to establish small entity status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired.
5.   X   A check in the amount of \$790.00 is enclosed.

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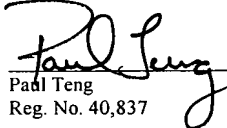
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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 in response to the final Office Action dated April 11, 2005 and the Advisory Action dated July 14, 2005 in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** section which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.